SUBJECT No. 403.

Head sluices to the channels drawn from the Suvarnavati.

Messrs. Venkatasamiah and Doraswami Iyengar, Chamrajnagar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—There are no head sluices to the channels drawn from the Suvarnavati river. It was stated in this Assembly that some arrangements would soon be made in this matter but nothing has been done till now. If it has been given up owing to want of funds, half the cost may be recovered from the raiyats as per their agreement and the other half met by Government so that the work may be taken in hand early for execution.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Public Works Department where a project is under preparation.

SUBJECT No. 404.

Separate lands and sites to the people who are deprived of their houses and lands by the Kannambadi Reservoir.

Mr. Lingegowda, Mysore taluk

Summary of discussion.—Some 8,000 people will be deprived of their houses and fields when the Kannambadi Reservoir is completed. It is prayed that early arrangements be made to provide them with suitable places to build their houses and to give them lands or equivalent money compensation in lieu of the lands acquired.

This was considered along with subject No. 405.

SUBJECT No. 405.

The Kannambadi Project.

Mr. C. Narasimiah, Mysore District Board.

Summary of discussion.—About 4,000 acres of wet, dry and garden lands and several villages will be submerged by the Kannambadi Project, even if the dam is raised to only 80 feet. It is very necessary that an equivalent extent of wet, dry and garden lands should immediately be brought under cultivation in the Mysore district.

Mr. Krishna Sastri.—The extent of wet land liable to submersion in about thirteen villages is calculated to be 10,000 acres, of which more than half consist of wet and garden lands, and the compensation payable therefor is estimated at Rs. 1,07,400. This works out at the rate of about Rs. 200 an acre, while the price of wet land in the locality is Rs. 1,300 an acre, that of garden Rs. 1,600 and that of dry Rs. 300 an acre.

In some cases it is proposed to give lands in exchange. These lands are not already irrigable but will be irrigated hereafter after the channels are extended. Every person whose land is acquired should be given proper compensation and he should not be forced to take up lands anywhere except with his consent. It seems to be desirable to organise a local Committee both to assist the acquiring officer in properly valuing the lands and in forming new villages and providing new settlements for the people.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 406.

Bechirak villages on *Shraya* tenure.

Mr. Lingegowda, Mysore taluk.

Summary of discussion.—*Bechirakh* villages in Hunsur and Heggaddevankote taluks may be given out on *shraya* tenure. It is also prayed that the final assessment be fixed at half the usual amount.

Reply of Government.—Existing rules provide for this.